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U.S. Patent No. 4,200,344; and

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Japanese Patent No. JP 6/351190

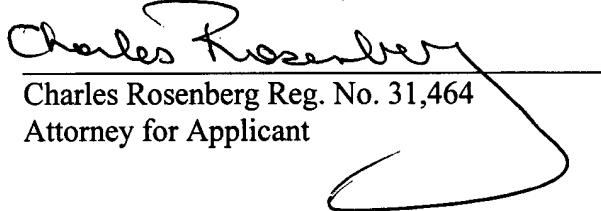
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